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SUBJECT: CANCELLATION OF BITSIOS' TRIPS TO ROME AND BONN

1. A FEW MINUTES AGO, THERE WAS AN OFFICIAL NEWS BULLETIN BROADCAST OVER ATHENS RADIO STATIONS AS FOLLOWS: "IT HAS BEEN ANNOUNCED THAT IN VIEW OF DEVELOPMENTS YESTERDAY FOREIGN MINISTER BITSIOS HAS BEEN OBLIGED TO CANCEL HIS TRIPS TO ROME AND BONN AS HE CANNOT BE ABSENT FROM ATHENS."

2. THE NEWS BULLETIN WAS APPARENTLY DELIBERATELY RELEASED TOO LATE FOR AFTERNOON NEWSPAPER EDITIONS IN GREECE AND WILL APPEAR HERE IN PAPERS TOMORROW MORNING.

3. INTENSE PUBLIC SPECULATION DURING THE COURSE OF THE DAY UNDOUBTEDLY LED TO THE ANNOUNCEMENT. ONE MAJOR
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NEWSPAPER THIS MORNING AND THREE EARLY THIS AFTERNOON

WERE ALREADY CARRYING MAJOR FRONTPAGE SPECULATION AND
STORIES ABOUT WHETHER OR NOT FOREIGN MINISTER KITSIOS
WOULD BE ABLE TO LEAVE ATHENS ON SCHEDULE TOMORROW FOR
HIS FOUR DAY TRIP TO ROME AND BONN.
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